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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2003, wherein restriction was required among the claims as follows: